



Newsletter: Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2021

Dear All,

I am pleased to forward two items from Archbishop Bernard's Ad Clerum that will be of special interest to you if you are not on the Ad Clerum mailing list:

- Universal Day of Prayer for Christians of the East on 8<sup>th</sup>/9<sup>th</sup> May
- The welcome for Hong Kong Immigrants

I would be grateful if you could draw these to the attention of your people, and join with the Archdiocese in the Universal Day of Prayer on 8<sup>th</sup>/9<sup>th</sup> May.

At the request of Paul Northam, the Diocesan Evangelization Field Worker I am forwarding the Diocesan Survey on the experiences of Catholics during the Pandemic. This needs to be returned by 4<sup>th</sup> July, and again, I would be most grateful if you could assist Paul with the survey.

In my Homily (attached) for the Fifth Sunday of Easter, I have drawn on the Bishops' Conference Paper of 22<sup>nd</sup> April, "The Day of the Lord", which is the outcome of their Reflection on the Pandemic and how we go forward, especially regarding the Sunday Mass. It fits in very well with the Gospel of the "Vine and the Branches".

Finally, I have attached my Podcast for the Commemoration of St Joseph the Worker, 1<sup>st</sup> May. It relates to the Pandemic and how it has brought to the fore the role of "key workers", so often taken for granted.

My thoughts and prayers are with you, and especially those with family in India, where the COVID virus is out of control, and those with family in Nigeria where Islamic Terrorism is destroying so much of the North.

With prayers and all good wishes.

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